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WASHINGTON, D.C. UPDATE ON THE ENACTMENT OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BILLS

This memorandum is to inform the Board that, on May 29, 2015, the President signed into law two bipartisan bills of County interest:

- The County-supported Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act (S. 178), which includes provisions to strengthen the enforcement, prosecution, and reporting of human trafficking crimes (including child sex trafficking); increase penalties on persons convicted of trafficking; and create a new fund for financing grants and programs to combat human trafficking and assist its victims, including a newly established grant program to help state and local governments implement such activities; and
- The Highway and Transportation Act (H.R. 2353), which reauthorizes Federal surface transportation (highway and mass transit) programs and the expenditure of funds from the Highway Trust Fund (HTF) through July 31, 2015. Without its enactment, the authorization for surface transportation programs and expenditures from the HTF, which finances such programs, would have expired on May 31, 2015.

We will continue to keep you advised.

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